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To the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks:

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Your petitioner, Paul A. Firestone, citizen of the United States of America, and resident of New York, New York, whose post office address is 88 Central Park West, New York, New York 10023, respectively prays that the accompanying:

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

(and Declaration) be fully considered and approved, and that letters patent may be granted for the SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR COLLECTING VEHICLE FEES as set forth in the following specification:

FIG. 1 is a front view illustrating the novel SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR COLLECTING VEHICLE FEES.

What is claimed:

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR COLLECTING VEHICLE FEES

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SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR COLLECTING VEHICLE FEES

Commissioner of Patent and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

Sir:

I respectfully request that my patent application for a SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR COLLECTING VEHICLE FEES be made special as the application puts forth that:

I am over the age of 65 (birthdate: August 14, 1922);

Environmental quality will be enhanced; and,

Energy savings will result.

Attached is a Declaration in Support of this Petition to Make Special.

Very Respectfully,

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DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

- 1. I am over the age of 65 (birthdate: August 14, 1922)
- 2. Environmental quality will be enhanced
- 3. Energy savings will result.

In support of the accompanying Petition to Make Special, petitioner-applicant declares:

- 1. I am the applicant in the above referenced patent application and am over the age of 65.
- 2. The use of the instant invention will enhance the quality of the environment as the use of said method will result in less vehicular movement which will lessen the depletion of natural resources and reduce toxic vehicle emissions which will result in the heightened quality of air and water.
- 3. Said invention will result in energy savings, mostly fossil fuels, as the instant device and method results in a reduction of toxic tailpipe emissions from motor vehicles
- 4. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

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